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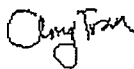
Ms. Mary Nichols, Chair
California Air Resources Board
1001 "I" Street
P.O. Box 2815 Sacramento, CA 95812
Re: AB 32 Implementation

I would like to express my concerns about the Draft AB 32 Scoping Plan and Appendices recently published by the Air Resources Board.

Both the Scoping Plan and the appendices place a disproportionate emphasis on the vision of California leading the world in climate change policy, and not nearly enough honest analysis of what this leadership will cost us. Throughout the appendices it was noted time and again that the true costs of AB 32 programs won't be known until the policies are actually adopted or the technologies actually placed in use. But the Draft Scoping Plan did mention billions of dollars in annual costs for public goods service charges and carbon fees alone. It acknowledged that utility and fuel costs would go up. Clearly, there is unlimited potential for a multi-billion dollar drain on the budgets of all Californians, with those least able to afford it having the most to lose.

Please take a more realistic look at the consequences you will be imposing on us, and give us a plan that will get us the needed emissions reductions without inflicting unreasonable and unsustainable financial burdens on our businesses and communities.

Thank you.



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